

May 13, 1865

(Last of  
Civil War)

## Battle of Palmetto Ranch

near Brownsville, TX, the 62nd U.S.

Infantry and 34th Indiana Volunteers;  
500 in all under Col Theodore Barrett  
attacked a Confederate outpost.

The Confederates under Col. John Ford, were  
the 2nd Texas Cavalry, 350 troopers.

With nearly 1,000 men engaged  
artillery was brought in and the  
battle lasted all day long, really 20 hours.

It was the last battle of the Civil War ... fought May 13, 1865 — more than a month after Lee surrendered at Appomattox. The Union Troops ended in full retreat.

It took 108 Yankee prisoners a full month more to convince their Confederate captors that the war was already finished.